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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: ISRAELI BARGAINING ON KOREA VOTE

1. ISRAELIS HERE ARE RUNNING REPRISAL OF KHMER PERFORMANCE, THREATENING NOT TO SUPPORT FRIENDLY KOREAN DRAFT RESOLUTION UNLESS THEY OBTAIN BILATERAL GUID PRO QUO. BARGAINING POINT ON KOREA IS DIPLOMATIC ACCREDITATION TO ISRAEL OF ROK AMBASSADOR NEWLY RESIDENT IN ROME.

2. ISRAELI MISSION SAYS IT AGREES "IN PRINCIPLE" WITH USG IN SUPPORTING FRIENDLY KOREAN RESOLUTION, OPPOSING THE OTHER, AND BLOCKING MOVE TO PUT SECOND RESOLUTION VOTE IF FRIENDLY RES PASSES. ISRAEL NEVERTHELESS HAS "REAL PROBLEM" IN TAKING THIS PATH BECAUSE OF ROK DECISION TO TERMINATE ACCREDITATION FOLLOWING CHANGE OF AMBASSADORS IN ORME. ISRAELI MISOFF SAID HE UNDERSTOOD DISCUSSIONS ON THIS SUBJECT HAD TAKEN PLACE IN SEOUL BETWEEN US AMBASSADOR AND ROK FONOFF. HE ASKED THAT ADDITIONAL EFFORT BE MADE TO TURN ROK AROUND ON ACCREDITATION QUESTION.

3. WE UNDERLINED IMPORTANCE OF KOREAN QUESTION TO USG, RAN THROUGH BASIC ARGUMENTATION ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, AND SAID
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WE HOPED ISRAEL WOULD VOTE ON TWO RESOLUTIONS ON THEIR MERITS.

WE NOTED THAT ISRAEL HAD A SPECIAL INTEREST IN SEEING TO IT THAT ACTION ON MATTERS FOR WHICH SC HAS LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY IS NOT TRANSFERRED TO GA.

4. COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: WE BELIEVE THAT, AS ON KHMER VOTE, ISRAEL WILL ULTIMATELY VOTE WITH US. IF DEPT CONCURS, HOWEVER, WE THINK APPROACH IN TEL AVIV MIGHT BE IN ORDER EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE OF ISSUE AND IMPLICATIONS OF UN CALLING INTO QUESTION, AS HOSTILE RESOLUTION DOES, VALIDITY OF US MILITARY COMMITMENT TO AN ALLY. AS FOR FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS IN SEOUL, WE SUGGEST THEY BE UNDERTAKEN ONLY IF DEPT BELIEVES THERE IS REALISTIC CHANCE OF ALTERING ROK POSITION ON ACCREDITATION. VOTE MAY COME AS EARLY AS EVENING DEC 6.
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